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1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED POSSIBLE NEW ZEALAND ATTENDANCE MANILA ESF MEETING AND / OR PLEDGE TO FUND WITH MERV NORRISH, DEPUTY SECRETARY MFA, AND DAVID MCDOWELL, HEAD OF MFA EXTERNAL AID DIVISION. THEY STATE THAT GNZ WILL NOT SEND REPRESENTATIVE TO MANILA MEETING AND THAT GNZ POSITION CONCERNING CONTRIBUTION HAS NOT CHANGED, I.E., THE NZ\$100,000 CONTRIBUTION PLEDGE FOR THIS CALENDAR YEAR CONFIDENTIAL

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- 2. NORRISH STATED THAT THE GNZ HAS CAREFULLY EXAMINED ITS POSITION AND SEES NOTHING TO CAUSE IT TO CHANGE. HE FURTHER STATED THAT GNZ BELIEVES THE TIME HAS COME FOR FRIENDS OF CAMBODIA TO TAKE A NEW LOOK AT THE REALITIES OF THE SITUATION AND CONSIDER WAYS OF SOLVING THE PROBLEMS OF THE KHMER REPUBLIC.
- 3. COMMENT: DISAPPOINTING NEW ZEALAND POSITON ON ESF IS FIRM AND BASED, WE ARE SURE, ON DECISION AT HIGHEST LEVEL OF GNZ. AS NEW ZEALAND SEES THIS MATTER, THERE IS NO CONFLICT BETWEEN ITS POSITIVE UNGA VOTE ON KHMER CREDENTIAL AND ITS UNWILLINGNESS TO GIVE FURTHER SUPPORT TO THE ECONOMIC STABILIZATION FUND. ITS UNGA VOTE WAS BASED ON FIXED PRICIPLE OF SUPPORTING EXISTING GOVERNMENTS WHILE UNWILLINGNESS FURTHER TO SUPPORT ESF REFLECTS BELIEF THAT FINANCIAL SUPPORT WILL NOT CONTRIBUTE TO SOLUTION OF CAMBODIAN PROBLEM. KILLGORE

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